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TEN CENTS A WEEK

RUSSIAN RETREAT STREWN WITH DEAD

Japanese Capture Many Men
and Valuable Stores.

KUROPATKIN AGAIN REPORTS

He Says Japanese Army Is Being Constantly Re-enforced—Russian Soldiers Are Discouraged and Surrender in Squads to Mikado's Men.

Tokio, March 14.—11 a. m.—A telegram received today from headquarters in the field, says:

"In the direction of Singchin our forces have been dislodging the enemy in Yingpao 18 miles from Fushun, and on March 11 occupied the place.

"In the direction of Singchin our all of our forces are continuing the pursuit of the remnant of the enemy and many Russian officers and men are surrendering to our train guards in the mountainous districts east of the Tie Pass road.

Additional spoils taken in the direction of the Shakhe river are wagons and carts captured southeast of Chilikoutzu. They exceeded 1,000 loaded with gun and ammunition, small ammunition, entrenching tools, telegraph and telephone equipment, pontoon material, supplies, and water boilers.

They also carried 14 eight-centimeter, 1,400 fifteen-centimeter shells and 1,200,000 small ammunition, and various military supplies.

In the direction of Singchin the spoils included 120,000 small ammunition, 800 shells and 3,000 entrenching tools.

Russians Surrender in Squads.

General Kuroki's Headquarters in the field, via Fusan, March 14.—The country is swarming with hungry, disheartened Russians, who are surrendering in squads to any pursuing Japanese they meet. The Japanese officers have refused to criticize the lack of mobility displayed while driving the Russians through Tie pass.

Most of the foreign attaches with the Russian army, including two American and English officers were captured at Mukden.

10,000 Russians Killed.

Japanese Left Amul, March 8, via Yin Kow, March 13.—(Delayed in Transmission).—From noon until darkness yesterday the left column from General Oku's army fought a desperate fight near Likempu, 7 miles north of the Hun river, and 8 miles west of the railway. The Russian forces outnumbered the Japanese 3 to 1. The Russians, who had been heavily re-enforced in the south, rushed out of their trenches to meet the advancing Japanese and a fierce hand-to-hand fight ensued, the soldiers using their bayonets and the officers their swords. The Russian casualties were over 10,000 killed and wounded and the Japanese a little over 2,000. The Russians dead were left on the field in heaps among the many staff officers.

Report from Gen. Kuropatkin.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—General Kuropatkin in a dispatch dated March 13 says he has received no further report of any fighting between organized bodies of troops and announces that the Japanese are making reconnoissances.

In a dispatch filed the previous day the Russian commander in chief, notified the emperor that General Meyendorff fell from his horse March 10 and fractured his collar bone. He was taken to Harbin and his early recovery is hoped for.

Denies Recall of Squadron.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—A semi-official denial was given out here today for the reported recall of the Russian second Pacific squadron.

Big Sale of Coal Lands.

Birmingham, Ala., March 15.—A deal has been closed whereby ex-Governor E. E. Jackson, of Maryland, disposed of 20,000 acres of coal lands on the Chesley Southern railroad to the president of the Alabama Coal company of this city, for \$500,000.

3,000 MILES WITHOUT A STOP

Wonderful Locomotives Ordered by Southern Pacific Railroad.

Chicago, March 15.—Three thousand miles without a stop and at the rate of 100 miles or more an hour is the capacity of a new type of locomotive which has been ordered by the Southern Pacific railroad.

If it does all that its makers promise for it, this locomotive, which is a revision of the Dissel engine, will revolutionize transportation.

The locomotive, or really power-house on wheels, is entirely different from anything now in use. The cost of operating it will be less than one-half of the cost of operating the present type of steam engine. Fuel oil, costing but 3 or 5 cents a gallon is the only fuel that has to be purchased and there is no necessity for erecting and maintaining expensive water tanks or coal chutes.

The machine is what is known as the four-stroke cycle. There is a compressed air reservoir from which the power is obtained for starting. This gives the piston its first stroke, when it takes in the air alone by atmospheric pressure and temperature. The second stroke compresses the air and raises it to a temperature of about 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit. The third stroke is at what is known as the working stroke. The oil is sprayed into the hot air, the amount being regulated by governors. During the first part of this stroke the combustion of this oil is carried at a constant pressure for a period that is regulated by the amount of oil sprayed. The second part of the stroke is practically an expansion with transferences of heat and the fourth stroke exhausts the gases.

WOODMEN HOLD BIG MEETINGS.

Waco, Tex., and Nashville, Tenn., Are Places Where Meetings Are Held.

Waco, Tex., March 15.—The head camp biennial meeting of the Woodmen of the World, including jurisdiction "C," which is formed by the camps of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico, convened today for a four days session. Two thousand woodmen are present. Head Consul W. A. Frasure, of Dallas, is presiding over the meetings.

The most important matter before the meeting is the proposed establishment of a great sanitarium in a healthful location where the sick and infirm may be cared for. The sanitarium is to cost \$100,000.

The report of the sanitarium committee propose a plant for disposing of the fraternity's building at the St. Louis world's fair by removing it to New Mexico and using it for a joint fraternal sanitarium.

Nashville, Tenn., March 15.—The fifth biennial session of head camp No. 4, Kentucky and Tennessee Woodmen of the World, convened here today. Head Consul Patterson, of Chattanooga, called the convention to order. There are about 350 delegates present. The business meeting will be held tomorrow. There are 7,900 members of the order in Tennessee and 5,000 in Kentucky.

Decrease in Fertilizer Shipments.

Wilmington, N. C., March 15.—Railroad people at the headquarters of the Atlantic Coast Line here say that fertilizer shipments are far behind last year over the large territory covered by the system. While the movement is very heavy just at present, and the various lines are hauling all they can find cars to accommodate, the season was late in opening and the time now left remaining will permit of shipments only far below last season. It is the opinion that the movement will be more than 25 per cent cut off and that the reduction of the cotton acreage will be correspondingly great.

Prof. Harper Leaves for Lakewood.

Chicago, March 15.—President W. R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, left on the Twentieth Century limited today for New York, where he was the guest of John D. Rockefeller, after which he will receive X-ray treatment for cancer at Lakewood, N. J. President Harper was accompanied by Dr. Joseph F. Smith, X-ray specialist of the Presbyterian hospital; Samuel Harper, his son, and Miss Cobb, stenographer. President Harper is able to walk.

TWENTY LIVES LOST IN TENEMENT FIRE

Heroic Work of Firemen and
Policemen Save Many.

20 OTHERS SERIOUSLY INJURED

New York City Is the Scene of a Terrible Calamity—Explosion of a Kerosene Lamp Starts Awful Blaze Which Resulted Fatally.

New York, March 15.—At least a score of persons were burned to death, several were so badly hurt that they may die and 40 others received slight hurts in a fire that practically destroyed a five story tenement house in Allen street early today. The fire had gained great headway before it became known to most of the tenants, and many of them were cut off before they could make an attempt to save themselves. Thrilling rescues and daring leaps for life marked the fire. Scores were carried from the blazing building. Firemen with scaling ladders braved the flames and reached the imperiled tenants. Those so far recovered only the following have been identified:

Rachel Solomon.
Jacob Solomon.
Abraham Solomon.
Isaac Solomon.
Jessie Cohen.
Rose Wiener.
Gander Wiener.
Ida Muskowitz.
Harry Kauffman.
Rose Miller.
Morris Miller.

Crowded fire escapes in the rear of the tenement house were largely responsible for so many deaths and injuries among its population, which approached 200 souls.

The scenes about the building after the fire was over and when the search for the dead was begun were heart-rending. Nothing so pitiful has been seen in New York city since the Blooming disaster, when 1,000 people lost their lives.

The fire started in the basement, occupied by Isaac Davis, his wife and three children. Davis had been out last night and returning to his home early this morning went into his store on the same floor just in time to see a kerosene lamp in the rear explode. He awoke his wife and both tried to put out the flaming lamp but without success and then gave all their attention to getting their children out of the burning building. A policeman who heard the cry of alarm rushed to the scene and an effort was made to crouse the sleeping persons in the house.

In the meantime the flames had spread with startling rapidity and when the persons who had been asleep on the upper floors awoke they found themselves confronted by a wall of flames on nearly every side. Scenes of the wildest description followed with the panic stricken people rushing for the fire escapes only to find them littered with rubbish of all descriptions and almost impassable.

Down through this cluttered narrow passage way fled a stream of humanity. On some of the escapes the rubbish was so closely packed that it became impossible to pass certain points and men, women and children stood literally roasting to death as the flames roared through windows around them.

One County Worth \$200,000,000.

New York, March 15.—The state and county taxes in Westchester, which are to be apportioned by the supervisors will show an assessment on \$200,000,000 worth of property, and Westchester people will pay \$450,000.00 in taxes, which is more than is collected in the state of Nevada. The great estates of the Rockefellers and other millionaires are the cause of the great assessments.

Gaynor-Greene Case Postponed.

Montreal, March 15.—At the request of the attorneys of Messrs. Gaynor and Greene, whose extradition the United States authorities are endeavoring to effect, their case has been postponed until March 22, when it is said, it will positively be taken up.

INDEPENDENT PIPE LINES.

Fight on Standard Oil Company Stimulates New Refineries.

Kansas City, Mo., March 15.—As a result of the fight against the Standard Oil company in Kansas elaborate plans for the erection by independent companies of pipe lines and refineries are in progress of formation, according to the Times.

J. B. and A. L. Levy, oil men, formerly from the Lima, O., field, are credited with having planned the erection of a refinery at Kansas City for the production of fuel oil, the crude material product to be piped from Kansas. The plans call for an outlay of three quarters of a million dollars and a daily output of 200,000 barrels of crude oil.

At Chanute, Kans., a meeting of producers has been held to consider the project for a pipe line to Port Arthur, Tex. At the meeting a Chanute banker asserted that he had sold to an English concern operating largely at Beaumont, Tex., and in the Russian fields, \$7,500,000 in bonds to push the enterprise. The line would be 650 miles in length, and have a capacity of 2,000 barrels of oil a day. The Cudahys and John W. Gates are said to be interested in the Port Arthur project.

LIVES LOST BY FALLING BRIDGE

Bridge Collapsed on Account of Swollen River; 12 Lives Lost.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 15.—The Seventh street bridge, over Los Angeles river, fell Monday, carrying with it into the flood swelled river 12 to 15 persons, 12 of whom are believed to have been drowned. The list includes:

Two unknown men, bodies thought to have been carried down the river.

Mrs. Clara Webb, of East Seventh street, rescued from the flood, but probably fatally hurt by falling timbers.

The high water in the river has attracted a number of sightseers to the bridge. The buttresses of the bridge had been weakened by the flood, and when a sudden swelling of the waters came the supports were carried away, and the bridge collapsed. Police are on guard to keep people off the Ninth street bridge.

Flood conditions in Los Angeles and vicinity are the worst known in many years. Los Angeles river, flooded by tributaries from the mountains and from the high country where heavy floods have occurred is bank full, and has reached the highest point known in 13 years.

DEATH FROM STARVATION.

Young Woman and Her Babe Found in a Dying Condition.

New York, March 15.—A young woman describing herself as Ida Fletcher, or Levy, 22 years of age, and who says she came to this city from a Connecticut town a year ago, has been found dying from starvation in a small room of a Harlem tenement house. With her was a baby 3 months old. Quick consumption has seized the mother, and she can live only a few days, but she refuses to tell the name of her parents.

Neighbors notified the police when they learned of her pitiful state. A friend had daily left a can of condensed milk for the baby. The girl shared this, and this was all the nourishment she had in 20 days. The baby was emaciated and weak, but it is believed it can be saved.

The girl will only say she felt into bad company. She has pawned every thing of value and finally became too ill to leave her bed. An effort is being made to locate her parents in New England.

Saw Sunken Steamship.

Charleston, S. C., March 15.—The captain of the fishing smack Verona, arriving here reports having seen the topmasts of a steamer in 14 fathoms of water about 30 miles south of the Charleston light, off Bull's bay. The water was clear, and the smack sailed near enough to see the funnel and derricks below the surface. Nothing is known here of a missing steamship.

Alabama's Governor Returns.

Montgomery, Ala., March 15.—Governor W. D. Jelks, who has been in New Mexico a year for his health, will return Thursday, relieving Lieutenant Governor Cunningham, who has been acting.

SENATOR TELLER IS OPPOSED TO TREATY

Wants Senate to Consider It
In Open Session.

MONEY FOR CONSCIENCE FUND.

Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce Will Begin Its Meetings April 17 to Consider Question of Freight Rates.

Washington, March 15.—When the Santo Domingo treaty was taken up in executive session of the senate today Senator Teller again made a plea for an open session for the discussion of the law points which he said were involved in the treaty. The senate committee on foreign relations were complimented by Senator Teller for the efforts it had made to satisfactorily amend the treaty and he declared that the convention with perhaps one or two additional amendments had been put in the best position.

"But," he said, "it is impossible to amend the treaty so that it will satisfy me. I am opposed to it for fundamental and basic reasons. He declared that the policy to be embarked upon under the treaty was contrary to our form of government and a dangerous precedent to establish.

Objection was made by Senator Foraker to opening the doors. After this question had been disposed of for the second time, Senator Morgan took the floor and discussed the Dominican debt for the purpose of showing that it was largely made up of fraudulent claims. He talked also of the revenues of the government and used as a basis the data which he recently presented to the senate and which was printed as a senate document.

Chairman Elkins, of the senate committee will begin hearings on the railway rates subject Monday, April 17.

No quorum appeared today when the committee was called, but Senator Elkins ascertained the views of the members of the committee and fixed the date.

The absence of a quorum was suggested by Mr. Gallinger, when the senate convened at 11 a. m. today. The roll was called and after some delay 44 senators, a quorum, responded to their names.

At 11:14, on motion of Mr. Cullem, the senate went into executive session.

Secretary of Treasury Shaw today received the following communication:

"Dear Sir—I am sending you here with enclosed \$12,000 which is to go to the use of the United States government. Years ago I defrauded the government of money, but have returned it all, and now am paying four-fold in accordance with the teaching of Scripture. The way of the transgressor is hard, and no one but God knows how I have suffered the consequences, and I would seek to do a bountiful restoration. May God pardon me, while the United States government is benefited. (Signed) A Sinner."

The amount, which was in currency, has been deposited in the treasury to the credit of the conscience fund.

Sultan's Officers Flee for Life.

Constantinople, March 15.—Another palace intrigue, so common in the sultan's entourage has just come to light involving a trio of high Ottoman officials, Generals Ahmet Pasha and Riza Pasha, aides-de-camp of the sultan and Aref Bey, his majesty's chamberlain. It is said that the three officials fled abroad to escape the machinations of a secret police official at the Yildiz kiosk, who were said to be bent on their destruction. Riza Pasha was recently attacked and wounded in the abdomen. The assault is alleged to have been at the instigation of the chief of the secret police.

Aged Woman Dies of Fright.

New York, March 15.—Mrs. John Fletcher, 60 years old, is dead from fright at her home in Lakewood, N. J. Her grandson had set fire to a brush heap in the front yard, and Mrs. Fletcher, fearing it would spread to the house, hurried out with a pail of water. A puff of flame caught the bottom of her dress and she fell dead with a scream of terror.